Introduced by Assembly Member Walters

February 8, 2005

An act to add Section 17053.51 to the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation, to take effect immediately, tax levy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 247, as introduced, Walters. Tax credit: long-term care.

The Personal Income Tax Law authorizes various credits against the taxes imposed by that law.

This bill would allow a credit for 20%, not to exceed \$1,000 per taxpayer, or in the case of taxpayers filing a joint return, \$2,000, of the amount paid or incurred by the taxpayer for long-term care or long-term care insurance provided for the taxpayer or a parent of the taxpayer.

This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 17053.51 is added to the Revenue and
- 2 Taxation Code, to read:
- 3 17053.51. (a) For taxable years beginning on or after January
- 4 1, 2005, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "net tax," as
- 5 defined in Section 17039, an amount equal to 20 percent of the
- 6 amount paid or incurred by the taxpayer during the taxable year
- 7 for the cost of long-term care or long-term care insurance
- 8 provided for the taxpayer or any parent of the taxpayer. The

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1 credit shall not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per 2 taxpayer, or two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for taxpayers filing 3 jointly.

- (b) For purposes of this section:
- (1) "Long-term care" shall be defined by reference to Section 7702B(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, or its successor.
- (2) "Long-term care insurance" shall be defined by reference to Section 7702B(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, or its successor.
- (3) "Parent" means the natural, biological, or adoptive mother or father of the taxpayer.
- (c) The provider of the long-term care services shall provide the taxpayer with written verification of the services provided, specifying the name of the taxpayer, payments received for the long-term care services, the name of the individual receiving the long-term care services, and the time period during which the services are provided. The taxpayer shall, upon request, provide this information to the board.
- (d) In the case where the credit allowed by this section exceeds the "net tax," the excess may be carried over to reduce the "net tax" in the following year, and succeeding years, if necessary, until the credit is exhausted.
- SEC. 2. This act provides for a tax levy within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect.